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## CITY ABOLISHES

### TWO SPECIAL FUNDS

#### All Warrants to Be Paid Out of General Fund.

The City Council, in order to meet promptly the obligations due by the City, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen have found it necessary to abolish the Sinking and Improvement Funds, which were special funds, adopted after the purchase of the water and electric light plant and the general improvement of the city after the fire of May 25, 1904. At the meeting of the City Council in December last a special tax levy of 3 mills was made, the receipts from which were deposited in the Sinking Fund. It has been found that this was not sufficient to meet all the demands, there being left in the fund last Friday 30 cents.

In the Building and Improvement Fund there was but \$24.24, and as a warrant drawn on one fund could not be paid out of any money belonging to another, the Council found it necessary to abolish both of these funds, and have all warrants, except for the schools, be hereafter drawn on the General Fund. To meet this emergency the City Council in special meeting Friday morning adopted the following ordinance:

#### Sinking and Improvement Funds Abolished.

An Ordinance abolishing the Sinking Fund and the Building and Improvement Fund of the City Treasury, and directing the City Treasurer to transfer any and all money to the credit of either or both of said funds to the credit of the General Fund; providing that all warrants which have been drawn on or against either of said funds shall be paid by the City Treasurer out of the General Fund; and that all warrants which heretofore would have been drawn on either of said funds shall be drawn against the General Fund.

Whereas the Sinking Fund and the Building and Improvement Fund of the City Treasury was established merely for convenience, and whereas, all money deposited to the credit of said funds is practically exhausted, there being now only thirty cents to the credit of the Sinking Fund and \$24.24 to the credit of the Building and Improvement Fund, and whereas, the necessity for said funds no longer exists, therefore:

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of Yazoo City, in Council assembled, that the Sinking and Improvement Funds of the City Treasury be hereby abolished.

Section 2. The City Treasurer is hereby directed to transfer immediately any money to the credit of either or both of said funds to the credit of the General Fund.

Section 3. All warrants which have been drawn on or against either of said funds, and which still remain unpaid, shall be paid by the City Treasurer out of the General Fund.

Section 4. The City Clerk is hereby directed hereafter to draw warrants on the General Fund for the payment of any indebtedness for which he would heretofore have drawn a warrant on either of said funds.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect, and be in force, from and after its passage.

Ordained Feb. 16, 1906.

E. J. POIRSINE, City Clerk.

We call attention to the advertisement of the Seattle-Boston Copper Co. in this issue. The demand for copper is growing rapidly and the advance in the metal has been over 25 per cent in four months. Copper mines are not risky like a gold mine, and when once in operating condition yield handsome profits.

Mr. W. A. Scott returned Wednesday from Brookhaven, where he spent a few days with relatives.

## LOOKS LIKE BLOODY MURDER.

### Shooting of Will Gill Near Tinsley Last Week.

Will Woodward and Shep Kirkland, two negroes, were arrested on Friday of last week and placed in the county jail. They are charged with having shot and killed Will Gill, another negro, near Tinsley, Thursday night.

The three were at the store of Mr. J. R. Woodruff and made some purchases. A short time after they left, shooting was heard. Will Gill was shot through the right eye, the ball passing through his head, his brains oozing out into his hat. After being killed, his body was placed across the railroad track, and it was struck by a freight train coming north. Both feet were cut off at the ankles, and the body badly bruised by being dragged by the train.

The first impression was that the negro had been killed by the train, but an examination of the body disclosed the fatal bullet hole in the head. An investigation was started, and as a result, Woodward and Kirkland were arrested charged with the murder. The three negroes were known to have played craps together a number of times, and it is reported that Gill would generally win.

Woodward and Kirkland had their preliminary trial yesterday before Esquire W. W. Wiles. A large number of witnesses were present to testify, and at the hour of going to press the trial had not been concluded.

## FIRE MONDAY MORNING.

### Two Cottages in Lintonia Destroyed at an Early Hour.

Two cottages belonging to Mr. J. Fromberg, in Lintonia, were destroyed by fire at 6 o'clock Monday morning. The fire started in a house that had recently been vacated by Mr. W. J. Royter and family, and from what cause it is not known. It was totally destroyed. The cottage next to it was occupied by Mr. J. T. Gibson and family, and it was practically destroyed. Mr. Gibson saved a good deal of his household effects, but they were badly damaged from water. He was insured for \$350. The insurance on the house was carried by the Farmers' Loan and Trust Co.

The fire work of the department prevented a general conflagration, as there were four of the cottages and a number of residences in the block with those burned.

## TO ENFORCE SEWER CONNECTIONS.

### Ordinance Becomes Effective on First of April.

The ordinance passed by the City Council some time ago to enforce sewer connections becomes effective April 1, and all houses then not connected will be subject to the owners to a fine. Mayor Holmes has given notice that he will enforce the ordinance and has had printed the following circular, which it will be well for the property owners to heed:

#### Notice to Property Owners!

The attention of all property owners is directed to the fact that the law requires all Sewer Connections to be made before April 1st, 1906. On the above named date the law becomes operative and will be enforced.

Respectfully,

E. R. HOLMES, Mayor.

## THE SILVER CITY BRIDGE.

### Board of Supervisors Conditionally Restores Appropriation.

Mention was made in the last issue of the Herald of the Board of Supervisors having revoked its appropriation of \$7,000 to assist in building a bridge across the Yazoo river at Silver City. Wednesday a special meeting of the Board was held to reconsider this action. At the meeting a petition of more than 300 taxpayers was presented by Mr. E. L. Brown requesting the Board to restore the appropriation, as the building of the bridge would be of material benefit to all the county. The matter was thoroughly discussed, the Board being willing to make the appropriation provided the threatened suits against the county on account of the road contract law would be withdrawn. It was finally agreed that all protests against the county would be withdrawn if the Legislature would pass a law relieving the levee portion of the county from the operation of the road law, and that upon the passage of the law the Board will renew the appropriation of \$7,000 for the bridge.

This was a fair compromise, as the working of the road law in the levee district has been found totally impracticable, and there is but little doubt but what the bill will pass the Legislature, and the \$7,000 for the bridge re-appropriated.

## WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

### Celebrated Yesterday by the Public School Children.

Exercises appropriate to Washington's birthday were had yesterday morning, 10 o'clock, by the fourth, fifth and sixth grades of our public school. These exercises consisted of songs, recitations, marching, etc., and each of the scholars acquitted themselves well—each one entering with spirit into the occasion. They had been well and carefully trained by their faithful teachers. The costumes worn by the children were of the colonial style, representative of the early days of our America.

After the exercises the grades filed into line and marched over the principal streets of the city, being cheered along the route. The boys were dressed in colonial costumes, and the girls in white with blue sashes and gilt helmets on their heads. They presented a striking and patriotic appearance.

The programs for the exercises were printed by Masters George and Harry Waller.

The Herald congratulates pupils and teachers upon the great success of the exercises, and the teachers upon having trained them so well. Quite a number of visitors had been invited to witness the ceremonies.

## THE WOLF IS DEAD.

### Killed Yesterday Morning by Mr. J. J. McAllister.

The wolf that for two weeks has caused so much anxiety to those living along the Benton road for three miles east of the city, was killed yesterday morning by Mr. J. J. McAllister. He was a genuine old gray hungry wolf, and relief at his death is felt by the neighborhood. Since his appearance parties have been hunting him.

The wolf was exhibited yesterday at the Lightcap Grocery Co., and attracted a large crowd.

## DR. ANDERSON'S DARRINGTON

### Entertained at Elks Home Wednesday Night.

A large and fashionable social gathering of friends were entertained at a dance at the Elks Home Wednesday night by Dr. Anderson and Mrs. Darrington, the dance being in honor of their guest, Miss Gilliam of Jackson, a daughter of the late Judge Anderson. For this delightful affair there were 100 guests present, and until the early hours of yesterday morning the dancing continued unceasingly.

The dance was led by Mr. John Starniel and Miss Gilliam, 20 couples participating in the grand march. At midnight dancing and delicious refreshments were served.

Dr. and Mrs. Darrington were assisted in receiving their guests by Miss Clifton; Mr. Clifton; Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Stinson; Mr. and Mrs. Newton Gilruth; Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Swagney; Miss Cooper presiding at the punch bowl. In all it was one of the most enjoyable of the social functions this season.

It ought to be a very serious reason that will keep you from the Brush attraction on Thursday night, March 1. Some have little or no response for music, but all have a liking for magic, and especially are they a delight to children; let them come. 25 cents will admit them.

## RARE MUSICAL TREAT.

### Killies Band Concert at the School Building Friday Night.

Never before has Yazoo City enjoyed such a musical treat as was the concert given by Killies Band at the school building on Friday night last. Notwithstanding the unfavorable conditions due to the hall facilities, which is not at all adapted to such occasions, the band mastered the situation and gave a concert that will ever be remembered with pleasure by the more than 350 people who were present. Never did a band play to a more responsive audience, each part being heartily enjoyed. The program was an excellent one, and each member of the band was an artist.

The community is indebted to the Board of School Trustees for allowing the use of the assembly hall for such entertainments, which afford so much pleasure to the public. Under the leadership of Superintendent M. Rose, the faculty is making efforts to put in a reference library in the building for the benefit of the teachers and pupils. Of the receipts of the Killies Band Concert 20 percent went to this library fund, which netted a nice sum.

If ever the band returns to Yazoo City, a packed house is assured them in advance.

## Death of Mrs. F. J. Mangum.

Mrs. F. J. Mangum, for a number of years a citizen of this community, died suddenly at the family residence on East street Tuesday night. The cause of her death was an attack of asthma. Although she had suffered for some time with this disease, her condition was not considered serious.

Mrs. Mangum was a consistent member of the Methodist church, and had lived to the ripe old age of near 70 years. She was much beloved by all who knew her, and her death is sincerely regretted. Funeral services were held yesterday morning, 10 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Dr. J. M. Weeks, the remains being interred in the city cemetery.

## RON. CHARLES SCOTT

### Enlisted as a Soldier in the Civil War in Yazoo City.

It may not be generally known, but it is a fact, nevertheless, that Ron. Chas. Scott, prominent candidate for Governor, saw his first military service in the Confederate Army in Yazoo City. He was a member of the Yazoo City Company, but on account of his youth, was not mustered in as a regular. He remained with the Company until the Bear Creek fight, when his Captain was severely wounded, and his (Scott's) horse killed. Young Scott was then detailed to go with Capt. Yerger to the hospital at Jackson, where he remained for some time attentively nursing his officer and friend.

During the time of Capt. Yerger's illness, Gen. Johnston started to Vicksburg to relieve Gen. Pemberton, and with Capt. Yerger's consent, young Scott went as volunteer aid de camp with Gen. Adams, and afterwards, regularly mustered into the 28th Mississippi Regiment, which did so much hard fighting throughout the Virginia Campaigns.

Probably some of the Yazoo Veterans will remember Mr. Scott, who was then a mere boy. He has not visited Yazoo City since that memorable period, but will doubtless do so when the campaign for Governor is on in earnest.

Hon. Chas. Scott is now one of the best known lawyers and planters in the State.

## DR. G. K. HARRINGTON

### Died Suddenly at Canton Monday Afternoon.

Dr. Geo. K. Harrington, one of the most beloved citizens and physicians of Jackson, died suddenly Monday afternoon at Canton of heart failure. Dr. Harrington, with a party of friends, left Jackson Monday for Canton, where they were to meet the remains of Mr. Geo. W. Carlisle, who died Sunday at Battle Creek, Michigan, where he had gone but a few days before for medical treatment. When the train reached Canton Dr. Harrington complained of being quite ill, and was taken to the Pullman car, where he died in a short while.

Dr. Harrington was a son-in-law of the late Maj. Ethel Barksdale, brother of our aged citizen, Mr. Pontaine Barksdale. The news of his sudden death was learned with sorrow in Yazoo City, where he had a number of warm friends and acquaintances. Dr. Harrington had been married for 27 years and to mourn his death a devoted wife, two daughters and a son are left.

## Yazoo Private Wire Co.

The Yazoo Private Wire Co., is the name of a new future dealing exchange that has opened in the building with the Postal Telegraph Office. Mr. J. B. Mount of Natchez, is manager; Mr. H. A. Posey, for several years with the Yazoo City Cotton Exchange, as operator, and N. H. Pepper, bookkeeper. The company use the private wire of Ware & Leland. Deals for cotton, stocks, etc., are executed promptly. The rooms and office have been nicely fitted up, and Mr. Mount is very much pleased with his business.

LOST—Wednesday night between Elks Home and Livingston-Bennett building, a fountain pen. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at the Herald.

## THE SILVER CREEK

### VICKSBURG RAILWAY

#### Completed from Silver City to Sunflower River.

The railroad that is eventually to connect Silver City and Vicksburg is about complete to Holly Bluff, where it is to cross the Sunflower river. Of the road and country a correspondent writes the Vicksburg Herald from Silver City as follows:

"Silver City, Feb. 14, 1906.

"The Vicksburg Herald: "Weather has been very fine, but there seems to have been little plowing done. Considerable work in cleaning up, burning logs, fencing and opening ditches. I see scarcely any fresh lands being opened, about all the land already cleared that labor can be had to cultivate. The recent unexpected decline in cotton rather depresses the planters who seem to reason that they realize about as much for a moderate crop as for a large one. If the threatened bad weather does not interfere, plows will be running freely within next few days. There is so little cotton in the fields now that it is hardly worth considering. I notice a few gins still running.

"Traveled yesterday along the line of the Vicksburg-Kelso-Silver City railroad. Last of the grading on this end finished today, which completes the road bed from Silver City to Holly Bluff, where the road crosses Sunflower river. Rails are laid and construction trains running to the Lambeth place about twelve to fourteen miles south of Silver City, or about half way between that point and the Sunflower. Track being laid as fast as the material can be furnished. If the west end of the route could have made similar progress and the bridge across Sunflower built, it would be only a few weeks before Vicksburg would be in direct rail connection with this fine Silver Creek country. It is a beautiful section of the Delta, has been cultivated for many years, some of the lands being considerably worn, but still fertile. The topography of the country is such that it can be readily drained, and the character of the soil makes fertilization easy. The dirt road from the head to the mouth of the creek, mostly along its banks, is 32 miles in length and runs through an unbroken series of plantations, not a stretch of forest on the entire route. There are thousands of acres of rich back lands which can be brought into cultivation. Now that this desirable region will be accessible great development will doubtless occur."

## The Negro Rapist.

The articles in today's Herald on the negro rapists were furnished by Mr. J. P. Holt. While not endorsing all that is said by Mr. Holt, the Herald realizes that no law having for its end the suppression of the rapist, could be too drastic. The negro must be taught that an attempt upon the virtue of a woman means death, and a law with that in view should not be applied only to a negro, but to anyone—white or black—guilty of the offense. The crime seems to be on the increase among the negroes, and so long as they commit these deeds, so long will there be lynchings.

## MONEY FOR THE CHURCHES.

### S. F. Dupree Company to Donate \$100 to Them.

The S. F. Dupree Co. have adopted a plan to donate \$100 to the churches, \$75 to one church in Yazoo City, and \$25 to some one outside of the city. With each dollar's worth of goods purchased from them the purchaser will vote for the church of their choice. There will be no advance in the price of the goods bought. The plan of the Dupree Co. is fully stated in another place in today's Herald, and we feel sure that the liberal offer will be appreciated by everyone.

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